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## Math department chairman appointed acting director

by Barbara Wittman  
and Monica Houston

Dr. Alfred L. McKinney was recently named acting director of the university computer services by Chancellor E. Grady Bogue.

McKinney, currently chairman of the department of mathematics, and computer science will officially assume his duties March 1. However, since the announcement last week, McKinney has been busy coordinating the development, implementation and evaluation of the services for academic, administrative and student service needs.

A director of computer services was one of the recommendations made by the consulting team last December in the reorganization plan for LSUS. Bogue's original plan was to continue to administer computer services

through a coordination of existing responsibilities through business and academic affairs. But, in his criteria to "honor all talent on campus," he decided to "utilize talent close at hand."

McKinney brings technical proficiency and administrative experience to this position, Bogue said in a letter announcing the appointment.

McKinney, a member of the LSUS faculty since 1974, was named chairman in 1980. He has taught mathematics and computer science courses.

A Fair Park High School graduate, McKinney received his bachelor's in liberal arts and master's in mathematics from Louisiana Tech. He received his Ph.D. in mathematics, with a minor in computer science, in 1972 from the University of Oklahoma.

McKinney has been associated with computers for 20 years, his first contact with computers being in 1961. McKinney worked on programming, analysis and simulation projects for United Gas Research Laboratory in Shreveport.

McKinney is a member of the Association for Computing Machinery, Data Processing Management Association and Mathematical Association of America.

McKinney, who now teaches two computer science courses on the junior level, has asked that he be able to continue teaching at least one course because he enjoys teaching.

A search will be conducted in the near future for a permanent director. McKinney will be one of the candidates and hopes his title will remain permanent as director of the University Computer Services.



Dr. A. L. McKinney

## SGA proposes amendment to add part-time students

by Karen Rosengrant

The Student Government Association Senate is proposing an amendment to their constitution which would change the clause that excludes part-time students from participating in SGA.

One of the qualifications of holding an office in SGA is being a full-time student, according to Section 2.1 in Article II of the constitution.

"We lose a lot of good senators and officers" because of this clause, SGA Vice President Calvin Sears said at the senate meeting on Monday.

To do a good job, the

SGA members must put forth a lot of time and effort, Sears said. Since many LSUS students work, some have difficulty balancing their job, SGA work and a full school load. Therefore, the senate thinks the constitution should be changed to state all students taking at least six hours at LSUS may seek office in the SGA if they meet the other qualifications.

The other qualifications, which include having at least a 2.0 grade point average, will remain the same.

A referendum election on this proposal will be held the week after spring vacation.



Foundation work is being done for the Health and Physical Education building. The building will be completed in 1982.

## Computers to bring new dimensions to campus

by Barbara Wittman

New dimensions in computer science will become a reality at LSUS with the new computer center being installed in the Business - Education Building, said Dr. Alfred McKinney, newly appointed acting director of computer services.

McKinney is enthusiastic as he describes the layout of the computer center. "It's hard to realize now what this new service is going to mean to the university."

In describing the possibilities that will be available to the university, McKinney said the computer, an IBM 4331, is the most expensive single item purchased but it also is the most powerful in terms of what it will do for the university.

The computer, to be shipped in April, is the latest technology that IBM has to offer, McKinney said.

The computer, for administrative and academic use, will come equipped with 14 small screens (CRTs) plus one console CRT with two megabytes for memory storage. Eventually all departments may have CRTs for instant access to all types of information. These CRTs will program directly into the computer whereas the batch terminals have a key punch system.

Students operating a batch-processing system through the academic terminal located on the fourth floor of Bronson Hall can only receive "hard copy." The information, inserted into the terminal,

travels to the Baton Rouge computer and back via telephone cables in a matter of seconds and prints out a copy.

With an on-campus computer, students will now be able to "interact" or "converse" with the computer, McKinney said.

Online direct-access systems consist of cathode-ray tubes (CRTs) in direct communication with the computer to permit immediate data entry and retrieval.

This means that through commands entered at the terminal, the user can write a program, correct errors and then run the program. The user can ask the computer to list files, explain errors, acknowledge a change and get an answer on the CRT screen rather

than wait for a "hard copy" print out.

Students will have greater versatility. "We will now have the capability to provide students with magnetic discs and tape files that haven't been possible before," McKinney explained.

New interaction courses and possibly a graphics terminal and plotter can be added as the service expands.

Right now LSUS has two remote terminals connected to the Baton Rouge computer. The academic terminal in Bronson Hall will remain there but the business terminal will be moved to the new building.

The remote connections to Baton Rouge will be kept, so "we'll have the best of both worlds," McKinney said.

The computer will operate like two separate units—one serving administration and the other serving academic and student needs.

This time-sharing system allows several people to use the computers at the same time. Because data can be accessed quickly and easily, security is important, McKinney said. All programs and data must be safeguarded from unauthorized persons or use. This is handled with security access codes which keep administrative records separate from academic.

With all these new applications made feasible by the computer, it is easy to see why McKinney is excited about his new position. As he says, he's in on the ground floor of a new dimension at LSUS.



# LSUS growing; 'spirit' will too

"School spirit" is a vague term that evokes mental images of high school pep rallies, jocks wearing letter jackets and high school graduates arguing about whose alma mater is the best.

Some think LSUS students lack school spirit and are apathetic. How does one show school spirit, though? Do you show it by attending all the football and basketball games? Well, LSUS has neither a football nor basketball team. Or maybe one displays school spirit by staying on campus nearly 24 hours a day. Certainly this is not feasible for LSUS students.

One must remember LSUS is a new school. Its campus life has definitely broadened recently, however. In the past, LSUS students had little reason to stay on campus but as the university grows, the students' "school spirit" will too.

Two years ago students had to go to a small snack shack if they wanted to eat on campus. Now the cafeteria in the modern University Center is filled with students at noon. They do not just eat there either. Students can be found shooting pool, talking and working throughout the day at the center.

As for apathy, many students are dedicated to improving LSUS. For instance, the Program Council worked for about six months to produce LSUS's first Miss LSUS Pageant. They worked long and hard to produce a new tradition for the University.

Other student groups have worked long hours for LSUS, too, including the Student Government Association, the Baptist Student Union and even the yearbook and newspaper staffs. These students cannot be classified as apathetic. Would 30 "apathetic" students brave an icy cold morning to attend a breakfast at 7 a.m. on Feb. 13 with the intent of improving relations among the organizations?

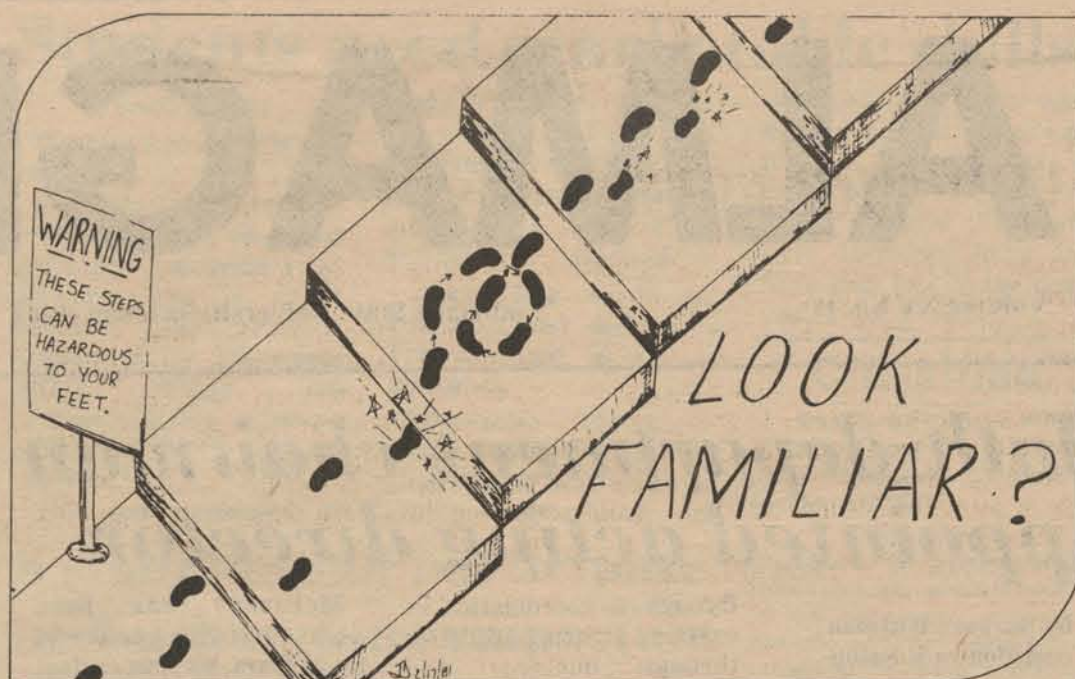
Of course, every university has some interested leaders but what about the rest of the students — are they apathetic? Maybe they are a little but they are beginning to show interest, too. Two recent Program Council activities attracted full audiences — the Miss LSUS Pageant and the showing of Monty Python's movie, "Life of Brian."

Also, 100 students participate in intramurals and about 130 students are members of fraternities and sororities. There are other active clubs on campus, too, including the Psychology club, the Agriculture club and even a Dungeons and Dragons club.

LSUS is very young — it cannot have all the activities, and consequently the school spirit, that Louisiana Tech, established in 1894, or LSU-Baton Rouge, established in 1860, has. Everyone has to start somewhere. LSUS is building its foundations and reputation now.

LSUS is definitely growing. Classes will be moved into the Business and Education building after the spring break plus the ground has been broken for the P.E. building. Certainly racquetball courts, a swimming pool, basketball courts and a track will coax students to stay on campus longer.

LSUS has only just begun and we should feel glad we have the opportunity to grow with it.



## The lighter side

# Stutter-step-step or climb wall

Every student who has had to go from one building to another on campus has stumbled over an evil, vicious plot designed to undermine the mental health and physical well-being of all who use the campus.

I am referring to the steps leading up to the buildings from the mall. These cleverly designed tools of subversion are made too wide to be taken easily one step at a time, yet are not wide enough to allow two strides per step.

As classes change, any observer in the mall will see hundreds of people doing the strange stutter-step-step necessary to climb out of the mall. This type of stutter-stepping and toe-stubbing is only a small irritation at first, but over long periods of time can begin to affect the nervous system.

The damaging effects are more pronounced in seniors, most of whom have been at the university for six to eight years. At this point the strange gait becomes second nature and may begin to seep into other areas of their lives.

One student recently had a nervous breakdown in downtown Shreveport while trying to use two strides to step off of a curb.

School work has also been affected. Professors have reported term papers which were single-spaced, on one line, single-and-a-half-spaced on the next and double-spaced

on the next.

There have also been resulting physical problems. One student came to LSUS with size 12 B feet. After seven years he graduated with size 5 DD feet.

At first it was thought that the steps were simply a contracting screw-up, possibly ordered through the bookstore, but when the same strange steps showed up with each new building, it was obvious that some vast evil scheme was at work.

Such a well thought-out, wicked plan must have been started by someone with much to gain by destroying the sanity of LSUS students. But no evidence of involvement by Louisiana Tech or Northwestern has been found.

One other plausible explanation suggested is that the whole thing is a long-running experiment by the psychology department. If this is true, then maybe once the psychology professors get their new animal lab to play with, the steps will be returned to normal.

Whatever the cause this situation is dangerous. Until proper investigation and correcting action can be taken, students are advised to take the long way around or jump off of the walls in order to save the sanity they came to campus with.

—Ken Martin

## Student Forum

# Quality education ranks above intramurals, dorms

Let's talk apathy.

It's a good subject, especially in light of all this talk flying around about a huge discovery of apathy right here on campus. Some say it's the largest single find since the last time someone was looking for an excuse for LSUS being different from other area colleges.

According to Webster's, apathy is a "lack of emotion or feeling," so, could you people who are lacking in emotions or feelings please transfer to Centenary? You're giving our school a bad name.

Now, any rational person knows full well that there is some apathy at LSUS. It's like the federal government—there is some of it everywhere. But is it really a major problem that can be mended only with dormitories and basketball teams?

This so-called "hollow

shell" that I hope one day to graduate from is charged with being a "commuter school," a term to be spoken only in disgust and embarrassment. Although the words commuter and apathy share little in common, save for a mutual "t", the two seem to be irreversibly linked. Did it ever dawn on any of these well-intentioned people who scream for on-campus housing that, perhaps, our commuter image suits us? We come to school for an education, not for a place to sleep.

The idea that an athletic program would save the students and faculty from the icy clutches of indifference isn't very realistic. The present intramural program, a participatory program, has shown us that sports ranks pretty low on most students'

lists of priorities. An

athletic program may very well be a good thing for the school, but let's not kid ourselves. It simply won't transform LSUS into a powerhouse school overnight.

The idea that we need an athletic program and dormitories to be like other area colleges is, at best, offending. All these years, I've been laboring under the assumption that colleges are meant to turn out quality graduates. If that is the case, maybe those other area schools would be well advised to try to be more like LSUS.

Like many students and faculty members, I don't think I'm apathetic. And it's not because my life revolves around the University Center. It's because when somebody asks me where I go to school, I can say LSUS with a good deal of satisfaction.

Jack Mitchell

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# Letters

## Evolution versus creationism

I would like to reply to the letter to the Student Forum by Steve Hennigan on creationism vs. evolution.

First of all I would like to point out that science deals with the physical universe, not the metaphysical or spiritual. The goal of science is to develop hypotheses and theories that help to organize and explain large bodies of facts that cannot be easily dealt with individually.

One problem with the theory of evolution is the definition of the word theory. To the layman a theory may be a proposed explanation that is conjectural, but to the scientist a theory is a hypothesis or group of hypotheses that are supported by a substantial body of facts.

The modern theory of organic evolution is in fact supported by a massive amount of data from many areas of biology as well as chemistry and geology.

Secondly, I must challenge Hennigan's specific comments on evolution. He initially criticized the hypothesis that chemical evolution on the primitive earth could lead to the development of early cells and biological evolution.

Although Hennigan does not favor this form of spontaneous generation, there is no scientific reason to exclude this possibility. In fact, under primitive earth conditions, organic molecules and protocells capable of growth and division have been produced in the laboratory.

Hennigan states that life has not been created in the lab and this is true. Nature only took a billion years to create the first true cells.

Next, Hennigan challenges the hypothesis that mutation and selection could not produce the changes seen in organisms over long periods of time. He cites Dr. Bolton Davidheiser as an expert in this area. Dr. Davidheiser cited a mathematical study indicating that not enough time has passed

for evolution to actually occur. This study is problematic at most since we can demonstrate first hand that mutation and selection can lead to great changes in living organisms (i.e., plant and animal breeding).

Also criticized was the fossil record. The gaps in the fossil record are interpreted as supporting creationism since certain "missing links" are missing. This may be true in some cases, but it should be pointed out that at one time there was no fossil record.

The creationists seem to assume that future fossil discoveries will not occur. Next, Hennigan quotes Dr. E.J.H. Corner as saying that the fossil record supports the special creation of plants. One can only assume that Dr. Corner is referring to the rather sudden (at least in geological time) appearance of vascular plants 400 million years ago. It is not pointed out that fragmentary fossil records suggest that some varieties of vascular plants were present some time earlier.

Hennigan goes on to say that nature contradicts the theory of evolution, just the opposite is true. The theory of evolution goes beyond an explanation for the origin of life on earth, it serves to explain relationships between organisms and why they function as they do.

Lastly, what about laws requiring teaching of creationism in the public schools? Creationism is not a scientific theory, no matter how it is packaged, and, therefore, is not testable.

Creationism is religious doctrine. Society runs a great danger when it begins to legislate religious doctrine. If we were to legislate such a doctrine, where would it end? Religious teaching, masquerading as science, will not play an instructive role in the public schools.

Dr. Cran Lucas,  
Assistant Professor of  
Biological Sciences

## Science confused with religion

In the time that I have been here at LSUS I have never seen a letter that deserves a rebuttal as the one that appeared in the Student Forum last week. The letter by Hennigan is a typical example of the uninformed trying to explain scientific principles while confusing them with religious beliefs.

To begin, there is nothing scientific about the theory of creationism. The basic premise used by creationists is that God created the heavens and earth and all living creatures.

If one accepts this basic premise, then all supportative arguments used by creationist proponents follow in logical and acceptable sequences. The error, however, is the basic premise and one learns in the most elementary logic courses that if the basic premise is unacceptable then all supportative arguments are likewise unacceptable. All sciences are limited to the physical world and all scientific theories and discoveries are limited to material measurements.

On the other hand, the concept of God is a religious concept based on faith and therefore, falls outside of the realms of science. Science cannot prove nor disprove the existence of God because faith is a nonphysical attribute. For this reason the concept of creationism is an unacceptable

scientific theory and should be kept where it belongs, namely as a religious belief.

Most of the "narrow-minded traditionalists," using Hennigan's terminology, refuse to separate religion from science and likewise have no concept of the theory of evolution. The theory of evolution (Darwinism) states that the characteristics of living things change with time and that the change is directed by natural selection.

There are volumes of evidence to support this theory while there are only a few minor papers which are used by creationists to refute this theory. All of the evidence used by creationists follows their basic unscientific premise. The examples used by Hennigan are clearcut examples of this unacceptable logic.

Yes, Hennigan, the theory of evolution is Godless but then the concept of God is unscientific. Creationism is a religious belief that has no place in science courses. One of the fortunate features of this country is the separation of church and state and the proponents of creationism are those who seek to destroy this separation.

Robert G. Kalinsky,  
Associate Professor  
of Biological Sciences

## SGA opposes merging of colleges

The LSUS Student Government Association Senate passed on Jan. 12 a resolution expressing their opposition to the proposed merging of several Louisiana universities, including the merging of LSUS with Southern University and Bossier

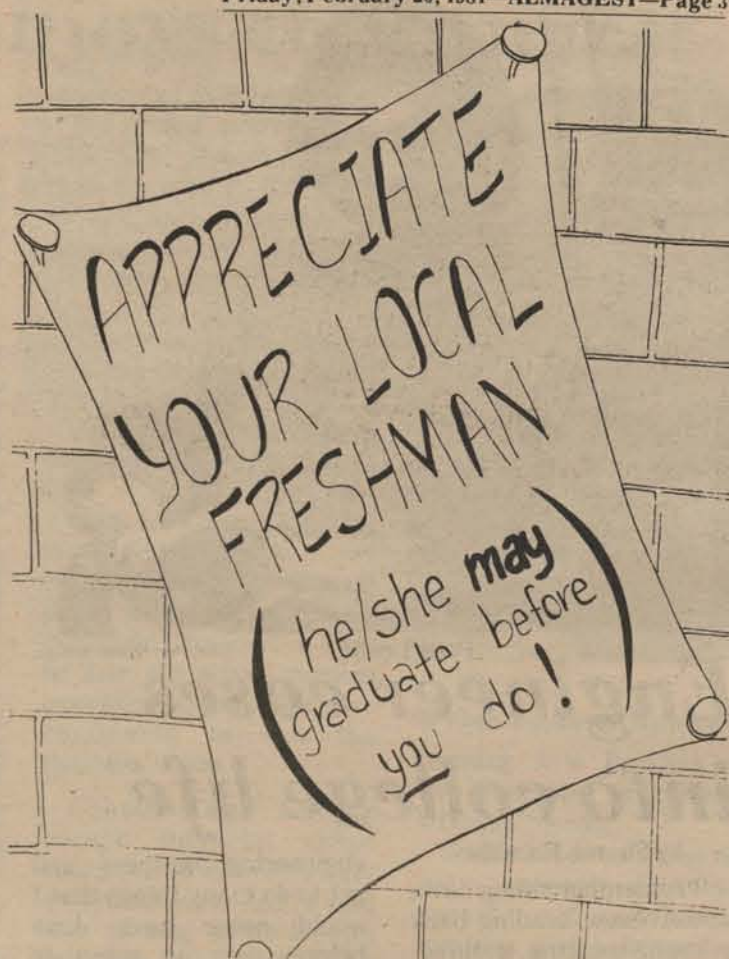
Parish Community College.

The resolution states their opposition to "any dismantling of university systems, exclusivity of programs or any intervention whatsoever by the Federal Government

that would threaten present

or potential levels of excellence or detract in any way from our freedom of choosing our educational avenues."

The Council of Student Body Presidents of the LSU system unanimously passed the resolution on Nov. 14.



## 'Alien' freshmen hidden blessing

Sound the alarm! Aliens have landed! The majority of the "upper" class (anyone who has completed the first year of college) will be disappointed to learn the name of our species; we're called freshman. Make your skin crawl? That's how I felt when I discovered I belong in that category.

Actually, I'm an integral part of this campus community. Besides getting an education, I'm here as a blessing in disguise. I'm not your conscience. I'm your fall guy. If it wasn't for me, how many of those silly questions asked in class would never be answered? Oh, sure, it's bothersome to hear something explained to a child step by step, but it's reassuring to the older students to know the answer

all along.

Whenever there is doubt about something, trust a freshman to keep after his instructor; eventually everyone will understand the assignment. I don't mind giving you the benefit of my inexperience, but I desperately need your help. I want to become involved in classes and extracurricular activities.

We, as freshmen, will learn about one another during the next four years, but you will be gone. We are looking to you as upperclassmen for counsel and guidance. With your tenure comes the responsibility of setting us on the right path. Bid us welcome and begin our education.

Lisa Booth

The Best place  
to find a  
helping hand  
is at the end  
of your arm

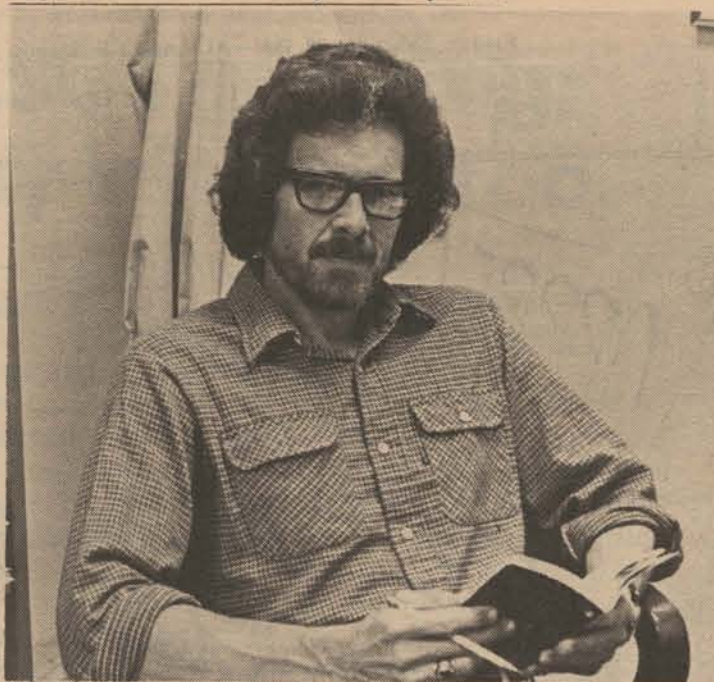


These words to live by have an old-fashioned ring, but they apply to the energy situation facing us today. It seems clear that, if we're to meet our growing energy requirements, we must rely on the technology at hand. And the majority of scientists and energy leaders agree that nuclear power and coal are the best means of meeting these requirements.

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Paul Leslie

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## Engineer eases into college life

by Sharon Rabin

"I remember riding down Line Avenue, heading back to town, wearing a three-piece Ivy League suit and listening to John Denver singing 'Take Me Home Country Roads' on the radio. It was really a great feeling. I walked in and told them that I resigned. It was quite a shock to them."

That was the day that Paul Leslie, who began teaching English at LSUS last semester, quit his well-paying engineering job to return to college and work on a masters degree in English.

"The terminology for it today, I guess, is what people call a mid-life crisis. I had always wanted to teach English so I got involved," said Leslie.

Leslie had received a degree in accounting and mathematics from Centenary and later went into engineering. "I spent a number of years in the

engineering business and got to do many things that I would never have done before, such as going to Saudi Arabia and Norway," said Leslie.

Leslie also said that he lived in the exclusive Hotel Biltmore on Madison Avenue in New York for three months while his company was taking over a corporation in New York.

The company asked him to go to Iran. "I told my wife that I did not want to go to Iran and I had been kicking around the idea of becoming an English teacher, so I resigned," said Leslie.

"So many students believe that they have to make a decision to do one thing in life. That is not necessarily true, most of us can do more than one thing, and should keep that in mind. It also helps to ease the pressure of a young person who is deciding what to do the rest of his life," Leslie said.

## Psychology wing shows versatility

by Donald Hough

With the opening of the psychology wing in the new Business Administration and Education Building at LSUS, the psychology department should receive much deserved recognition.

According to Dr. George A. Kemp, chairman of the LSUS psychology department, the new psychology wing will give LSUS psychology students and faculty one of the most versatile psychology departments in the area.

"The new psychology building is clearly better than the one in Baton Rouge," said Dr. Kemp. "Northeastern has a comparable department, but it is smaller, and Northwestern's is good but poor planning flawed the clinical training center."

The new psychology wing was designed after architects studied the designs of 13 different campus facilities. The best features of these facilities were taken and put together in the design of the LSUS psychology wing.

The building will consist

### Essay award deadline set for April 3

The first Zeak Buckner Writing Award for \$250 will be presented to a student for an outstanding essay written for class during the fall or spring semester.

Essays, either original or clear photocopies, can be any length with no limitation as to the number of essays submitted.

The essays should be submitted before April 3 to Dr. Robert Colbert, chairman of the award committee and assistant professor of English.

The award will be presented during the Academic Awards Convocation April 23.

of a physiological psychology lab, a psychometrics lab and a psychology lab. There will also be two counselor training-psychometrics demonstration cubicles, a family therapy-group dynamics room, a play therapy-child study center

and a bio-feedback room. The wing will also provide an animal storage room, an animal surgery area and a shop.

With the new addition, more experimentation will be possible and graduate programs might be offered, Dr. Kemp said.

## Training for parents subject of seminar

Support, education and training for parents will be the subject of a seminar to be held at LSUS March 5-6. The seminar entitled, "Clues for Parenting," is sponsored by the Coalition for Parent Education.

Featured speakers for the seminar will be Dr. Burton White, the director of the Center for Parent Education in Massachusetts, and Laura Knox, director of the Parent Involvement Project in Tennessee.

Dr. White, author of "The First Three Years of Life" and "A Parent's Guide to the First Three Years of Life," will speak on how to help children achieve their full potential intellectually and emotionally.

Mrs. Knox, who wrote "Parents are People Too," will speak on communication as the key to productive relationships.

There will be seminar workshops on education for single parents, early childhood education, guidance and discipline, effects of poverty on children and family violence.

Pre-registration for the seminar can be done by mailing a \$10 check to the Junior League of Shreveport. The address is 3805 Gilbert Dr., Shreveport, La. 71106. Deadline for pre-registration is Feb. 25.

Registration will be held on March 5 in the University Center and the cost will be \$15.

## Hospice lecture to be given

by Margaret Dornbusch

Alternative housing for the terminally ill will be discussed at the next Artists and Lecturers Series program to be held March 10 at 11 a.m. in the University Center Planitation Room.

Dr. Edward Dobihal Jr. and Shirley V. Dobihal will discuss the concept of Hospice. Hospice is a program designed for the terminally ill patient to die in the peace and comfort of his home.

Dobihal is director of the Department of Religious Ministries at Yale-New Haven Hospital in New Haven, Conn. He is also

clinical professor of pastoral care at Yale Divinity School.

Dobihal is a consultant at the Connecticut Hospice, Inc. in Branford, Conn. He obtained his doctorate degree in human relations from Drew University.

Mrs. Dobihal is a licensed practical nurse who has worked with the Hospice program in various phases. She has also worked as a staff nurse at the Yale-New Haven Hospital.

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# Howell enjoys challenges

by Annette Caramia

Most LSUS students have no direct contact with the business office unless they happen to be so unfortunate as to bounce a check for their tuition fees.

But the business office concerns itself with far more than just attending to bad checks. Teachers' salaries, allocating funds from the yearly budget to the individual departments and even purchasing furniture for the new Business Administration and Education Building are all matters that have to go through the business office.

Dr. A. J. Howell, vice chancellor for business affairs, is the man that oversees all activity in the business office. And considering the present expansion of the campus, Howell is a very busy man.

Currently, Howell and the business office are immersed in a new project, the data processing computer center that ties into the new telephone system. Com-

puterizing LSUS has begun.

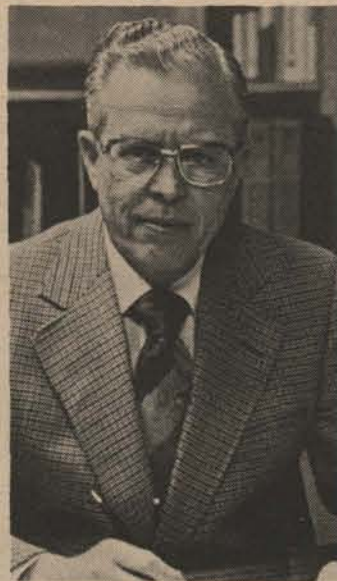
But Howell, who has been with the business office since the school's inception, enjoys the pressure of decision making that goes with new projects and his job.

"There are no problems in securing adequate funds for the university," he said. "These are challenges. It all depends on how you look at it."

Howell, who was acting chancellor after the retirement of Dr. Donald Shipp, is not one to ignore a challenge. For over a year he kept the school running smoothly as chancellor, also continuing to run the business office.

Considering LSUS's secure financial shape today, Howell obviously enjoys his work. And he said that as long as he is with LSUS, he will work hard for the welfare of the students and the school.

He mentioned the Health and P.E. Building and the proposed Fine and Per-



Dr. A. J. Howell

(Photo by: Byron Stringer)

forming Arts Building as two examples of meeting students' needs.

So the business office not only keeps financial records, plans budget requests and collects fees for registration, Howell emphasizes the more human aspect of the office.

"The students are always number one," he said.

## Browsing room — place to relax

by Margaret Dornbusch

For those who want to relax, catch up on their reading or listen to their favorite album, the University Center Browsing Room, UC 228, is the place to be.

To listen to albums,

## 4 professors may be added

by Ellen Trice

The management and marketing department hopes to have four new faculty members for the fall semester of 1981, according to the head of the department, Dr. John Berton.

Berton has received one signed contract, two contracts are outstanding and the department is still seeking someone to specialize in business law.

A great deal of time is spent in filling the positions, which must be filled according to the Affirmative Action Plan. The time being spent in the careful selection and interviewing of the prospective personnel is causing a problem for the under-staffed department.

An applicant must have his doctorate degree or be working on his dissertation in order to be considered. Berton said that he has made between 75 and 100 telephone calls following leads and asking friends about possible candidates.

The number of marketing and management students is rising and many other students are beginning to take classes in this curriculum because, according to Berton, "A background in management helps you get a job."

students pick what they want to hear from a list in the monitor's room and check out a set of headphones, with their LSUS ID.

While the student plugs the headphones into a wall outlet in the Browsing Room, the monitor starts the album.

The monitor's room contains two turntables, a cassette tape deck and a radio. Instead of an album the radio may be listened to over the headphones.

For those whose tastes in music are a little more sedate, easy-listening, classical and jazz recordings are available. And if a student wants to read while listening to music, the Browsing Room has everything from "Billiards Digest" to "Rolling Stone," available. "Playboy,"

however, must be checked out with a current ID because it keeps disappearing from the room.

According to Lyndon Greene, a monitor, renewal time for the magazines is in April. He said suggestions are welcome from those who use the room and would like to have magazines added or dropped. Playboy may not be renewed because of its disappearing. Most of the magazines carried in the Browsing Room are not carried in the library.

The Browsing Room is on the second floor of the UC directly above the Game Room.

According to the monitors, more and more students are beginning to use the room as word gets around that such a place exists.



The Browsing Room — a place to read, listen to music and relax.

Photo by: Byron Stringer



Dr. Ruth Barnhouse

Photo by: Ken Martin

## Stereotypes discussed

by Margaret Dornbusch

Social stereotypes between men and women should be done away with, said a Southern Methodist University psychiatry professor at the Artists and Lecturers program Wednesday in the University Center Theater.

The Rev. Dr. Ruth Tiffany Barnhouse, who is also an Episcopal priest, said that since male-female roles are assigned differently in different cultures and in different socio-economic classes, it is wrong to stereotype those roles.

She pointed out two views of current social men-women relationships that she says are mistaken.

Barnhouse said that the idea that there is no difference between men and women except for biological differences is wrong. She said that the idea that there is a difference but that traditional customs should not be changed is equally wrong.

Barnhouse pointed out that through research, scientists have found that boys have an innate aggressiveness that starts developing around the age of 18 months.

Barnhouse said that this

aggressiveness is further encouraged by parents who give their children guns to play with.

She said that the United States, which has one of the highest violence rates in the world, is one of the few countries in which parents encourage violence. The psychiatrist added that this innate aggressiveness can be rechannelled, and in other countries, it is.

In dealing with the problem of social stereotypes, Barnhouse said that there should be more freedom. "People have to find their own way," she said.

According to Barnhouse, the solution is that males and females need to work together as equals in large numbers. She said, "Anything that cannot be done by both sexes probably should not be done at all."

She said there is no truth in the idea that tradition does not call for a change in male-female relationships.

Barnhouse said that if this view was right, then the women's movement would have never taken hold. People would have been happy with the way things were.

## Leaders attend breakfast

by Karen Rosengrant

Fellowship and music were shared by about 50 student leaders and faculty members at the Faculty-Student Goodwill Breakfast, sponsored by the Student Government Association, the Program Council and the Baptist Student Union, Friday morning in the Plantation Room.

All student organizational leaders were invited to the breakfast aimed to create more inter-relations between the students and faculty.

Several leaders including SGA President David Finck, Program Council President Tim Quattrone and BSU President Gene Hensley discussed their groups' upcoming activities.

Finck also said he hoped the breakfast would promote more interaction between LSUS's organizations.

LSUS music instructor Norma Jean Locke performed several songs, including "Amazing Grace" and "Jesus Loves Me," at the breakfast.

Since the breakfast was held the day before Valentine's Day, the guest speaker, Dr. John Sullivan, discussed the different kinds of love. Sullivan is pastor of Broadmoor Baptist Church and president of Louisiana Baptist Convention.

The breakfast, catered by the LSUS Cafeteria, included a full breakfast of scrambled eggs, bacon and coffee.





## 'Altered States' disappears amid flashy visual displays

by Annette Caramia

The lights are low. The crowd is hushed. Suddenly the screen lights up in a dazzling array of colored shapes and animated effects.

No, it's not a planetarium show or a fireworks display. But the film "Altered States" does resemble a light show more than a movie about 75 percent of the time.

And lost amid the flashy visuals is occasionally found the plot.

Director Ken Russell has really outdone himself in "Altered States" as far as special effects go. It's a 1960s-type trippy movie that may please those who prefer to watch movies stoned out of their minds.

But special effects do not a movie make.

The scant plot, from a novel by Paddy Chayefsky ("Network"), is trendy, but bare. A Carlos Castaneda type tries to find the primordial meaning of life

by ingesting psychedelic mushrooms picked up in Mexico. It all boils down to whether or not he can survive and reach nirvana at the same time.

But the main point the movie makes is that director Russell is capable of making a visually interesting film out of a boring script.

The actors do well under the circumstances. William Hurt as the soul-searching psychologist is strange, but believable. His partners in the experiment (Bob Balaban and Charles Haid) have the best lines, and pull

off their roles with sometimes brilliant touches of humor.

Yet the movie is generally disappointing considering what could have been done with the story. The ending in particular is terribly contrived and confused.

But if Russell wanted to make a film that is visually stimulating, then he has succeeded. The special effects are a combination of modern animated style and classic Walt Disney. The color and music are marvelous.

It's hard to say if "Altered States" is a step forward or backward in filmmaking. It definitely has a certain appeal for a certain audience.

But if you're looking for a thought-provoking or intellectual plot, pass this one by.

"Altered States" is rated R (a little flesh is exposed) and is now showing at St. Vincent 6.



## Living within a budget can be managed

by Teresa Lewis

With the cost of education rising and the price of living skyrocketing, finding cost-cutters is essential for everyone. Dr. Luvonia Casperson, associate professor of economics at LSUS, offered several inflation-fighting tactics for the student living within a budget.

"The key is an efficient use of time," Casperson said. Scheduling class times with a classmate and carpooling will enable the student to save gas, time

and, most importantly, money.

On top of most students' expense list is tuition. Tuition is predetermined, so Casperson suggested taking advantage of student loans and grants. Many students can qualify for aid but do not know what to do.

Swapping is another money-saving advantage. Casperson suggested that students get to know others in their classes. They can swap books or purchase

them cheaper from other students.

Part-time work is almost an essential for LSUS students. Casperson said that getting to know employers who like students and are sensitive to their needs is very important. Job opportunities are posted on the bulletin boards throughout the school.

With a little imagination, determination and frugality, saving money can be done.



Dr. Glen Bollman

Photo by: Byron Stringer

## English professor earns fifth degree

by Annette Caramia

Most of us would be satisfied with earning one college degree. But Dr. Glen Bollman of the English department was not content to stop at one. He has earned five college degrees, including his most recent, a doctorate in English last December.

Bollman, a Plain Dealing native, has been teaching English at LSUS since 1969 when the school was still a two-year college. Before coming to LSUS, Bollman taught at Greenacres Jr. High in Bossier City and at Louisiana Tech University where he received his first bachelor's degree in business in 1959.

During the next six years, Bollman got his bachelor's and master's degrees in education and a master's degree in English, all from Louisiana Tech.

And after 21 years of teaching in Louisiana, he has achieved his ultimate goal—the Ph.D. in English.

Bollman had been working on his doctorate since 1976, taking one semester's leave from LSUS plus summers to complete the requirements at Texas A&M.

It seems quite a change from his first degree in business to his current field of study, English. But Bollman says that literature is what he enjoys most.

"There's a kind of spiritual awareness through literature," he said. "It shows you how alike all people are."

Bollman credits his wife, Lucille, with giving him the opportunity to earn his doctorate. He said she took care of the home and family while also working at the Physical Plant at LSUS in order that he could devote all his time to his studies.

And after five degrees, Bollman doesn't think that he will try for another.

"I was extremely pleased with the program at A&M," he said, "but I think that this will be it."

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# 4 choir members 'click' as gospel quartet

by Karen Rosengrant

What happens when a biology major, a marketing major, a history major and a computer science major get together?

They form a quartet.

At least that's what happened when LSUS students Kirk Davidson, Richard Matthews, Kerri Wooten and Jimmy Zenter met in the LSUS choir.

They decided to form a quartet, Matthews said, when they heard about LSUS's talent show. "We sang together and everything clicked," he said. So they entered the contest last semester.

The quartet, which placed second in the group category at the talent show, hope to enter again next fall.

Right now, however, they have been practicing with their accompanist, Nancy Griswold, so they can perform for the Baptist Student Union, the American Rose Society and several local churches

during March.

The quartet was supposed to sing for the American Rose Society on Jan. 27 but Matthews said, "We all came down with the flu."

Although their music is primarily religious, Matthews said they are working on some barbershop quartet songs for their upcoming performances.

Norma Jean Locke, LSUS music instructor and choir director, supervises the quartet. Matthews said she helped them with a few of their songs in the beginning.

The group's favorite song is "Swing Low, Swing Down, Chairot."

All four members are active in their church choirs and have sung solos and duets at churches, weddings or LSUS choir performances.

Wooten, who sings baritone, may go to LSU in Baton Rouge next semester to study music. If he leaves, Matthews said the group would hold



(Left to right) Kerri Wooten, Jimmy Zenter, Kirk Davidson and Richard Matthews

Photo by: Nancy Griswold

tryouts to find a replacement for him because they would like to continue singing.

Zenter sings bass,

Matthews sings first tenor and Davidson sings second tenor.

The group is now known as the LSUS Gospel

Quartet; however, they are considering a few other names, including Four in a Hole and The Quartet.

## 'Wounded' to be presented today

by Barbara Wittman

Medicine and the law has determined that Lester, 16, was born an idiot — hopelessly deficient in ordinary mental powers.

Lester will never learn to feed himself, speak distinctly or use the bathroom without help.

After his grandmother remarries, he is left with his estranged mother whose instincts tell her there is more to Lester than idiocy. He is a child of extreme musical genius.

Herein lies the premise for the play, "Wounded," written by Judi Mason, to be presented at noon today in the University Center, sponsored by Moa Afrika

and the Program Council. Mason, a Grambling graduate, spoke on campus Jan. 27.

"Wounded," the 1976 winner of the S. Randolph Edmonds Award for playwriting at the National

"Wounded"

Noon today in the  
UC Theater

Association of Dramatic and Speech Arts, deals with a southern family and its ordeal with Lester whose struggle with his idiocy brings a discovery of a deeply-rooted musical genius. He can sing but cannot speak. He can play

the guitar, but cannot feed himself.

Featured in the play as Lester is Lanyard Austin Williams, a Las Vegas actor last seen in the CBS television presentation of Bette Davis' "The White Mama."

Carrie Mingo, who has appeared in various local and state productions, is Bertha, Lester's mother. Jacqee Gafford is featured as Mu'Dear.

The Alpha Omega Repertory company is presented under the auspices of Shreveport Parks and Recreation's Playwright's Workshop.

"Wounded" is scheduled for the following performance dates: Feb. 19-20 at the SPAR Community Theater, 6 p.m. nightly; Feb. 20, noon in the LSUS University Center theater; Feb. 21, Southern University at 10 a.m.; Feb. 26, YWCA on Pierre Avenue, 6 p.m.; and a final performance Feb. 28, Minden Civic Center, 7:30 p.m.

## GREEK BEAT

### KAPPA ALPHA

Congratulations to Ken Cupit, Stewart Davidson, Marty Johnson, and John Wagnon, the newest members of the active chapter.

The new officers for 1981 have been announced: No. I, Kevin Francis; No. II, Tony Alexander; No. III, Chuck McLendon; No. IV, Jason Fairchild; No. V, Dean Smith; No. VI, Rodney Dupre; No. VII, Craig Williams; No. VIII, Steve Griffith; and No. IX, Jody Kirkpatrick.

### ZETA TAU ALPHA

Eta Omega announces the acceptance of a bid to join by Laura Stout.

The chapter had a rush party on Wednesday. Congratulations to Zeta Wyn Nelle Leeth who will become Panhellenic president in March.

### Music review

## Clash don't mess around

by Phil Martin

The Clash, *Sandinista!*

There is nothing lame about this album. Thirty-seven (I know the label says 36) uniformly powerful songs. The Clash don't mess around, and they don't rip you off — this three-record set sells for less than most two-record sets. The quantity of material makes this set a little hard to deal

with, I can't ever seem to find the time to listen to the whole thing. Three single album sets would probably have been easier on the critics, who unfortunately seem to be the only ones listening to the group. This album will change that. This will most probably be the best album released this year (and the new Who album is due out next month), and I wouldn't be surprised if it changes the way a lot of people live.

First The River, and now this. Welcome to the 80s! A plus.

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# Class puts student in coma

by Ken Martin

A book slides off the desk next to you. Bam! Your eyes crack open, your neck snaps back and suddenly you realize that you have slept through at least a week's worth of class.

It happens every semester when you learn where the classes are and forget the room numbers.

The nights get partied, worked or maybe even studied away and the best place to catch z's is during class. You just have to find some way to stay awake because you might learn something by osmosis.

There are hundreds of ways to stay awake; look right in front of you. See if you can get the toe of your

shoe caught in the rungs of that chair. This is not as easy as it sounds, but if you succeed the pain will keep you from dozing off.

Many professors have speech impediments — uhs, ahs, that-is-to-says. Do not let these irritate you; count them. There is an unofficial record of 114 uuuhhhhs in 50 minutes.

Put your fellow students to use too. Check out the members of the opposite sex in your class and then hold your own beauty pageant in your mind. Some classes may be limited in this area, but make do with what you have.

Sports are also a good way to keep occupied. Throw a wad of paper on the floor and have a soccer game between your feet. Bring your favorite insect to class and race it on the desk top.

If you are psychologically oriented, do something to test the reactions of others. Make a slow humming noise

or see what kind of looks you get when rolling small empty joints out of pieces of your syllabus. The key word in the latter is "empty."

Daydreaming will allow you to keep your eyes open and your mind asleep, but good daydreams should be saved for work where you get paid for them. Why not quietly set your mind to more useful tasks? Like teaching yourself to say the alphabet backwards for those late-night DWI pop quizzes.

Some people may tell you that you can stay awake in class by taking notes, but it is a well-known fact that this practice leads to mental illness and ink-stained fingers.

There are many, many more ways to keep awake, but if you still have to crash-out in class, please do not snore. Some of these buildings are getting old and professors get earthquake-itchy when they hear low rumbling noises coming from the back row.

## Debate team felled by flu

Imagine psyching yourself up for an upcoming tournament, traveling about 200 miles to get there and getting sick shortly after you arrive.

Is it just nerves or a case of the dreaded flu?

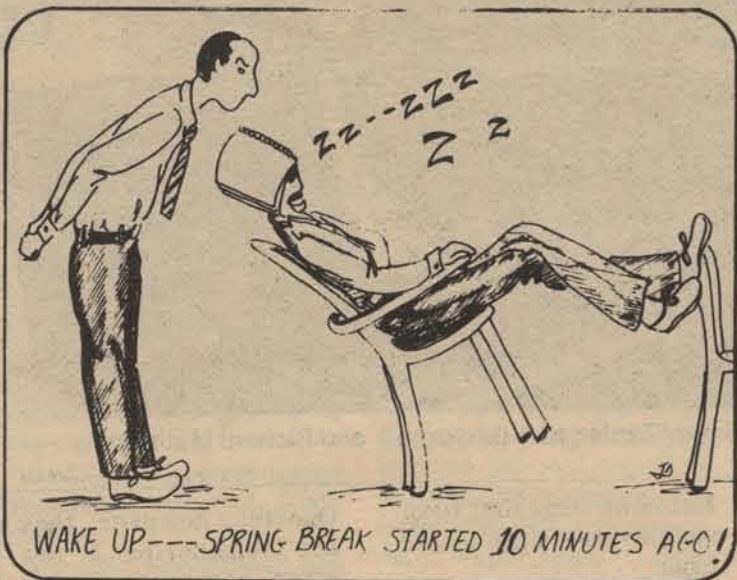
In the case of the LSUS debate team, it was the flu, Dr. Frank Lower said.

The team traveled to the University of Houston Feb. 13-15 for the Cougar Classic 1981 Debate Sweepstakes.

It could have been the curse of Friday the 13th that struck the team instead of nerves or the flu. We will never know.

Although four of the six-man team got sick during the tournament, Joe De Santis managed to win first place in poetry interpretation and third place in dramatic interpretation, in each case, out of a field of 60.

Up against 56 debaters and the flu, nerves or the Friday the 13th curse, Mike Kanosky made it to the finals in extemporaneous speaking.



## Auto-eroticism

### 'I love them hunks of steel and rubber'

by Phil Martin

They say you can tell a lot about a person by the cars they choose to drive. Maybe. One trouble with that is that we don't always have a lot of choice when it comes to automobiles. Circumstances sometimes forces our hands, huh?

Looking over the parking lot here at LSUS, for instance, I don't see a lot of dream cars. Some nice ones, and some that are a whole lot more than adequate. Some nightmares too. Yeah, I know what it's like to take the thing in for an oil change and get it back a week and \$270 later.

Still, I love them hunks of steel and rubber. Since 1974 I have owned: a black '64 V.W. Beetle, a gun-metal '68 Dodge Polara, a '72 LTD painted that sick, metallic blue that Ford used to use all the time, a yellow '75 Toyota station wagon with a bullet hole in the back, and a '76 Mustang II that I finally drowned a little over a year

ago. Now I'm driving. . . wait a minute, it may not be such a good idea to let you know which car is mine. No. That wouldn't be too hip. I mean, I'm ugly, but I ain't stupid.

Getting back to the parking lot, I am distressed by all those Pontiacs with the bird on the hood. What are they called, again? Trans-Ams. Ah, yes. The automotive equivalent of the snow white polyester three-piece suit. Champagne with a twist-off cap. The turbo-charged model even has these little lights to tell you when the turbo kicks in. Come on, now. I bet Gino Vannelli drives a black and gold Trans Am.

I don't mind the standard Firebirds and Camaros, as long as they don't get too tacky with the paint jobs. I'm not going to say anything about Corvettes because Corvette owners are notoriously chauvinistic and are liable to do something nasty if you talk bad about their precious fiberglass

dinosaurs. (I almost bought a bathtub white '55 'Vette once. Really.)

But really, we all know that the important thing about any car is its accessories. We all have our favorites. I like sound systems. I can forgive any car that will let me play with an equalizer and pump sound out of a Maxell cassette. Some people like back seats. I don't really think back seats are necessary. Not since we got out of

high school. Then, some people have to have ashtrays.

But. . . back to the parking lot again. It is an above average parking lot, compared to the parking lots at other universities. I mean, have you ever driven by the parking lots at Centenary? Some rich people just have no taste in automobiles. I mean, we'd be in pretty good shape if we could just get rid of the section where all the professors park.



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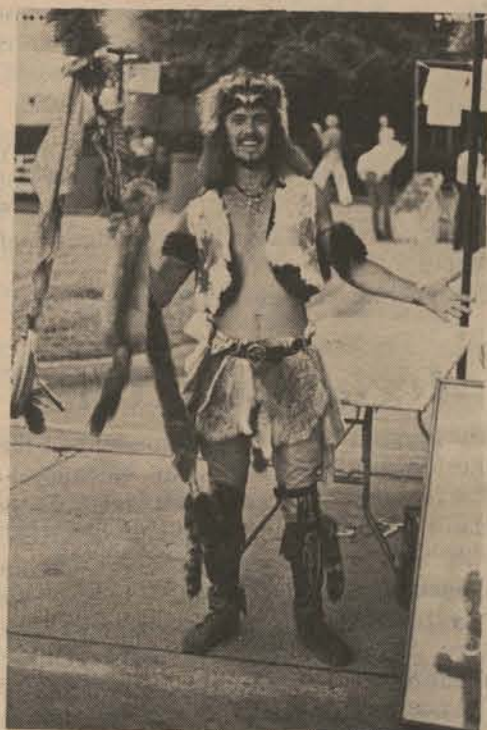
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# Excu-u-u-u-se Me!



Photos and Story  
by  
Ken Martin

Excuuuse Me! You were expecting some type of photo page about something or other; well, I don't have one.

Oh, I did have one, but the girl's intramural basketball league disbanded. I found this out, after deadline, on the day my car had to be put into the shop for \$150 worth of repairs. I awoke with a crick in my neck; I got a "D" on a test and I really could have cared less.

But I am not asking for sympathy. I could have done a feature on some important campus issue, but I believe that there is a law in Louisiana against doing more than three parking-lot photo essays in one lifetime.

I started to run the page completely black and call it "LSUS by Night," or leave it all white and headline it "Remember the Snow?"

Doing a "BEST OF" photo feature seemed just a little too conceited, and possibly difficult, considering some of the things that I have done — photo features on cars, T-shirts and pinball machines, everything near and dear to me. Rock and Roll would have made it, but the pictures did not sound good enough.

When I realized that I was about to do a photo feature on not doing a photo feature, I panicked. Maybe it had finally happened; I had run out of things to feature. This was it, nothing left, but

taking pictures of whoever came to speak to whoever showed up to listen or hoping that there would be a major accident in the parking lot.

At the first sign of panic I took my own personal relaxation therapy, Rock and Roll, pinball and 75 mph on back country roads. It is amazing how AC/DC at full volume smooths out all of the wrinkles in your brain.

When I was able to look at the situation clearly, I realized that this was not the end; there are many areas left to be, as they say, "frozen in time."

In the future you may see a feature dedicated to mugshots of students and faculty arrested over the semester. Further attention could be paid to cars parked on the sidewalk.

It could be that we never really gave the proper photographic coverage to the trees on campus. Maybe a study of the bird art on the benches.

Someday we may run an entire page of mystery pictures and let them all fight for the prize.

And there will always be construction sites to shoot until we get dorms or forever, whichever comes first.

With the proper cooperation from certain students, the Amagest could follow in the footsteps of those great photo-essayists, Playboy and Penthouse. We could offer centerfolds with no staples.

But, what you get this week is a collection of pictures that were handy and fit on the page.



# Campus Briefs

## Library

Spring Vacation begins at 10 p.m., Friday, February 27, and classes will resume at 8 a.m., Monday, March 9.

During this period, the Library schedule will be:

Sunday, March 1 ..... Closed  
Monday, March 2, through  
Friday, March 6 ..... 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m.  
Sunday, March 8 ..... Closed  
Monday, March 9 ..... Resume regular schedule

## Symposium

The Center for Study of the Presidency Student Symposium will be held March 20-22 in Washington, D.C. Three students from LSUS will be able to participate.

Persons interested in attending should go by Dr. Marvin Stottlemire's office, Room 449 of Bronson Hall, today to get an application.

Students selected will not have to pay for the trip.

Applications should be picked up today, and the deadline for turning in applications is Wednesday.

## LSUS Counselor

If the 1981-82 school year budget permits, students will have a counselor to help them decide on their best career choice.

According to Dr. Luvonia Casperson, a LSUS associate professor of economics, many students do not know what they want to be when they first attend college. It will be the counselors job to help them decide.

The counselor will be a certified psychologist if the budget permits, said Casperson. It will be his job to assist the students in choosing a career by administering an aptitude test. The test will measure the students' interest and ability in different area. It will then enable them to choose a field they scored high in.

The counselor will also be available to students for discussing personal and academic problems, said Dr. Casperson.

## SLAE

The LSUS chapter of the Student Louisiana Association of Educators will meet Wednesday at noon in the Caddo-Bossier Room of the University Center.

The program will consist of student teachers speaking to the group. Members should bring the money for the "Sweet Shots."

All members and persons interested in education are invited to attend.

## Job Lecture

J. D. Shires, master counselor for the Louisiana State Employment Service, will be on campus Feb. 27 to give a lecture on how to get a job.

The lecture will be at noon, Feb. 27, in Room 103, Bronson Hall. All persons interested in attending the lecture should sign up in the Placement Office, Room 116, Science Building.

## Plant Donation

The University Program Council has announced that the ROTC has donated a philodendron to the University Center as a part of the UCPC's program to make the UC green.

The SGA has also donated a plant.

The PC, ROTC and SGA challenge all organizations to "make the UC green."

## Computer Speaker

Lawrence A. Smith will speak at a meeting of the Association of Computing Machinery Friday at 2:30 p.m. in the Caddo-Bossier Room of the University Center.

A participant in the National ACM lectureship series, Smith will speak on "Management Information Systems — Why Dream Became Nightmare."

## Raffle

Members of the LSUS Health Science Club are now selling \$1 chances for a merchandise raffle to be held March 11 at noon in the University Center.

According to Allison Booth, secretary-treasurer, many small prizes will be raffled off instead of one larger prize so that everyone will have more chances to win.

Other officers of the club are Steve Patterson, president, and David Lewis, vice president. Dr. Selvestion Jimes and Dr. Cran Lucas are the club's advisors.

## Calendar

### February 20

Play—Moa Afrika presents Judi Mason's "Wounded." 12:15 p.m. in the UC Theater.

### February 23

Final date for dropping courses or resigning without receiving W-grades or for changing from credit to audit.

### February 25

Movie—Nunnally Johnson's "The Three Faces of Eve." Free with current ID, \$1.50 without. 7 p.m. in the UC Theater.

### February 26

Movie—Dudley Nichols "Mourning Becomes Electra." Free with current ID, \$1.50 without. 7 p.m. in the UC Theater.

### February 27

Movie—David Lean's "Doctor Zhivago." Free with current ID, \$1.50 without. 7 p.m. in the UC Theater.

### March 10

Artists and Lecturers Series—Dr. and Mrs. Edward Dobihal to speak on the Hospice program. 11 a.m. in the UC Plantation Room.

## Photo Display

Students of Suzanne Bright's principles of photography class are now displaying their photographs in Room 426, Bronson Hall.

Prints change weekly on Friday.

## Body Language

A seminar discussing body language will be held at LSUS Feb. 25 through March 25 on Wednesdays from 6:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m.

The seminar will be taught by Dr. Frank Lower, associate professor of communications at LSUS.

The fee for the seminar is \$20. Interested persons should contact the LSUS division of conferences and institutes for preregistration information at 797-5262.

## Language Festival

The Annual Foreign Language Festival, sponsored by the Foreign Language Club and the department of foreign languages, will be held March 17 in the University Center.

Local high school students will compete in categories of French, Spanish and German.

Trophies and certificates will be presented to individual and group winners on all high school levels.

The Council of Development of French in Louisiana will award three scholarships to outstanding students competing in an examination. The scholarships are \$400, \$300 and \$200. The winning students will be eligible to study in Quebec this summer.

LSUS students are urged by Joe Patrick, assistant professor of French, to participate in the festival by volunteering as guides to the students. Those interested should contact him in Room 253, Bronson Hall.

## Almagest

In accordance with the mid-semester and holiday publication policy of the campus newspaper, the Almagest will not publish a paper for two weeks. The next paper will be out on March 13.

## Psychology Club

Biofeedback and its impact on the health professions will be discussed by Dr. S. Elder, from the University of New Orleans at the next psychology club meeting today at 6:30 p.m. at Morrison's Cafeteria on Mansfield Road.

## Biology Club

Dr. Beth Leuck, assistant professor of biology at Centenary College will speak to the LSUS Biology Club Wednesday at 7:30 p.m. in the DeSoto Room of the University Center.

The program is titled "Life with and without sex: Comparative behavior of three species of whiptail lizards."

## Paper Given

Dr. John W. Hall, professor of geography, delivered a paper, "Geographical Views of Red River Valley, 1873," at the Feb. 6 meeting of the Louisiana Academy of Sciences.

The meeting was held at LSU - Alexandria.

## Accounting Club

The accounting club's first meeting of the semester was held Wednesday, Feb. 11.

The featured speaker for the meeting was Melanie Smith, a 1977 graduate of LSUS. Smith, who is controller for Don Coleman Co., spoke to the members of the club about her experiences since she received her degree and what they can expect after graduation.

The next scheduled meeting of the club is at noon Wednesday.

## Basic Camp

Attention Sophomores.

Are you interested in earning \$550 for five weeks this summer, with free air travel, meals, room and board?

If this sounds good, than you should apply for Basic Camp now being offered through the LSUS military science department.

No committment is incurred by attending Basic Camp.

Applications should be turned in to the military science department, Room 120, Bronson Hall, between now and the end of April. Those wanting additional information should contact the department at 797-5264.

## ROTC Scholarship

Students planning to apply for an ROTC scholarship need to have their applications submitted to Captain Frank Bruscato no later than March 10.

Two-and three-year scholarships are available to freshmen and sophomores with at least a 3.0 grade-point average. The scholarship covers tuition, lab fees, books and other educational expenses. A monthly living allowance of \$100 is also included for each month in school.

All scholarships are awarded on the basis of merit rather than financial need.

Those interested need to contact Bruscato in the military science department in Room 120, Bronson Hall or phone 797-5360.





Barbara Batchelor tutors boy in speech and therapy room.  
Photo by: Ken Martin

## What's going on?

by Sandra Ruffy

What is going on at "this end of the hall?"

The rumor is that girls are better than boys.

"This end of the hall" is the speech and hearing therapy rooms on the third floor of Bronson Hall. The students here tutor more boys than girls, simply because boys have more articulation problems than girls do, senior Barbara Batchelor said.

Batchelor, who married right out of high school, decided to enter college after raising her family.

"The fact that I had no marketable skills" was her reason for coming to college. And after taking some speech correction courses, she decided to major in speech and hearing therapy.

Batchelor and other

students do diagnostic tests on children with articulation problems. They run tests to check a child's hearing, articulation, motor reflexes, hand-eye coordination and more.

Children who have been tested can begin therapy if it is needed and wanted. A student works one-on-one with each child to help him overcome his problem.

Batchelor works with children ages 3 and up. Testing and therapy are free for any child during the regular school year, and costs \$20 during the summer.

She likes working one-on-one with the children and the feeling that she is helping them. After graduation, Batchelor plans to go to LSU Medical Center and work toward a master's degree in speech pathology.

## Sea can fulfill man's needs

by Mark Stinson

The ocean has enough resources to fill man's needs for water, minerals, metals, and energy, according to a chemical oceanography expert.

But there are legal, political, and economic hurdles to harnessing those resources, Dr. Robert Baumann, chemistry professor at the University of Missouri at Columbia, said.

"The ocean contains some 90 percent of our oil and gas supplies, 80 percent of the bromine, 65 percent of the magnesium, and 29 percent of the salt," Dr. Baumann told the Northwest Louisiana Section of the American Chemical Society.

"Nodules on rock formations are also a good source of cobalt, nickel, and copper," he said, "but most all the formations are outside any country's territorial waters."

Dr. Baumann said the questions surrounding ownership and control of resources in neutral waters have not been answered.

The ocean has many of the same qualities of land and air, Dr. Baumann said—it can store thermal heat, its streams and currents produce energy, and it contains mineral and solid materials.

"The Gulf Stream, for example, could provide for all the U.S. energy needs," he said, "but right now most of its power is being wasted because we lack the engineering know-how to garner it."

Dr. Baumann said every cubic kilometer (4.09 cubic miles) of ocean water contains 40 tons of solid materials.

When asked if pollution is affecting the ocean's

potential, Dr. Baumann said it is becoming more acidic from chemical wastes, but "future technology and less dumping will give the ocean a chance to level off."

"The ocean is more than four billion years old, and has not changed much in all that time," Dr. Baumann said. "It isn't probable that a couple of centuries of man's mistreatment will permanently damage the ocean capability to serve his needs."

## Business experience gained through computer games

by Leslie Bland

Where can business management students gain real experience in operating a company?

One answer can be found in Dr. John Berton's Management 480 course.

Berton's classes use a computer game called Tempomatic Four to learn about managing a real company.

Tempomatic Four includes all decisions involved in company management, including production, marketing, personnel hiring and firing.

Classes are divided into teams of three students. Each team is given two years of information on the history of the company before it must make its own management decisions.

The team uses the information, which is keyed to present economic conditions to make decisions about selling prices, stock, and advertising media.

Berton grades the company's decisions on the basis of several factors, including income after taxes, amount of sales, earnings per share of stock and stock prices.

"Management students are given the opportunity at the chief executive officer's level to make decisions and coordinate the activities of a company," Berton said.

Students benefit from Tempomatic Four because they really have to live with the mistakes they make, Berton said. They are punished for their errors because sales will go down.

## Training credits expanded

Louisiana State University's Board of Regents recognizes the value of police training and has recently given the Shreveport Police Academy permission to add another hour of college credit. That move raised to ten the present number of credit hours given to a police officer for undergoing the 13-week program. Ten hours of credit is the maximum number allowed by the state.

According to Richard J. Georgia, assistant professor

of criminal justice some 30 officers now participate in LSUS' program and are eligible to use those credit hours in lieu of electives or criminal justice lab.

When the Shreveport Police Academy expanded its program to 400 hours, it was able to receive the extra hour of credit, says Georgia. "Forty hours of instruction is equal to one hour of college credit." The state has a minimum requirement of 240 hours of law enforcement instruction

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# Intramural softball gearing up

by Jack Mitchell

Time once again to break out the old ball mitt and get down to the serious business of "three strikes and you're out."

That's right sports fans, baseball season is almost upon us and, with its approach comes the need to review some of the intricacies of this madness known as America's favorite pastime.

Sign-up for the softball season may be done by picking up a roster at the intramural office, UC 225. Rosters must be turned back in to the intramural office by Feb. 25.

Much like its more brutal first cousin, football, baseball is played on a field

by two teams. One team is out in the field and the other is in. Once the team that is in gets out three times, it becomes out and the other team is in. So, the object of the game is not to be out while you're in or you'll be out; or if you're out, you want to be in by making the other team out. Simple enough.

The team that is out (here we go again) is divided into two parts; the infield, which is the in part of the out team, and the outfield. The outfield consists of a centerfielder who plays, oddly enough, in the center of the

field. To his left is the rightfielder and to his right is the leftfielder. The infield uses the remaining six players; one for each base, one for homeplate, one to do all the work, and one to grab all the headlines.

The in team uses only one player at a time. This player—the batter—stands next to homeplate with a stick of wood for the sole purpose of hitting the ball.

The area directly over homeplate between the batter's arm pits and his knees is known as the strike zone. The rest of the world is known as the ball zone.

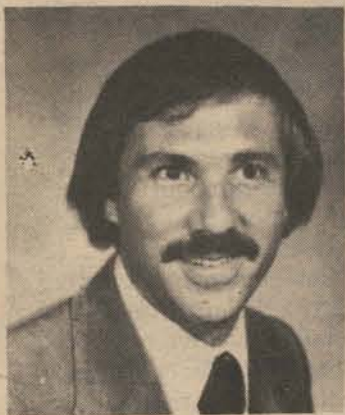
The pitcher, who stands in the middle of the out team's in part, tries to throw the ball into the strike zone. If he is successful three times without the ball being hit, the batter that is in is out. But, if he throws the ball into the ball zone repeatedly, the batter may walk freely to first base. Four balls is a walk. But, if the bases are loaded, a walk is a run.

Scoring in baseball is kept by runs. A run occurs when a batter starts at homeplate and ends at homeplate. This might be done by a homerun, in which the

batter runs home, or by progressing one base at a time. Once the batter reaches a base, he becomes a runner. He remains a runner until he crosses homeplate and then he is a run.

And who says there is no truth to evolution?

Now that everyone has a good insight into the game, there's no reason not to sign up for the intramural softball season. Just take what you've already learned, add one more player to the out team's outfield and, before you know it, you'll be ready for the big leagues.



## Spaht heads math dept.

Dr. Carlos G. Spaht, associate professor of mathematics, was elected acting chairman of mathematics and computer sciences by the members of the department.

Spaht will replace Dr. A. McKinney who was recently named acting director of computer services.

Spaht has been a member of the math department for nine years. He received his doctorate degree from LSU-Baton Rouge and is a member of American Men and Women of Science, American Mathematical Society and Louisiana Academy of Sciences.

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